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Memorandum for: The Director

1. Mr. William Rogers, Deputy Attorney General, in your absence called me to request CIA assistance as follows: They desire a "qualitative analysis" of Communist aims, policies and stratagies in the period 1918-1950, with particular emphasis on Central Asia and China in the period 1933-1950.

- 3. I suggested, and Rogers agreed, that the above request could be encyclopedic and was rather vague. I suggested that if we were able to undertake any part of this work it would be best to have the men in Rogers' office who are working on this matter discuss the details with any persons we might assign to do the research so that we could narrow the scope down considerably, to fit their needs.
- 4. It should be borne in mind that any researcher whom we might designate to prepare this material might subsequently be qualified as an expert and called as a witness in the trial.

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